

Monday, December 17, 2007

House Meets At...	Votes Predicted At...
12:00 p.m. For Legislative Business	First Vote: 6:30 p.m. Last Vote: 9:00-10:00 p.m.
Unlimited "One-minutes" Per Side	

Any anticipated Member absences for votes this week should be reported to the Office of the Majority Whip at 226-3210.

Members are advised that the House is expected to consider the Consolidated Appropriations bill/omnibus today.

Floor Schedule and Procedure

- **Suspension Bills:** Today, the House will consider several bills on the Suspension calendar. Bills considered on the Suspension calendar are debatable for 40 minutes; may not be amended; and require a two-thirds vote for passage. If a recorded vote is requested, it will be postponed
 1. **H.Con.Res. ____** - To make corrections in the enrollment of **H.R. 1593**, the Second Chance Act of 2007 (*Rep. Conyers/Rep. Smith (TX) – Judiciary*)
 2. **H.J.Res. 15** - Recognizing the contributions of the Christmas tree industry to the United States economy (*Rep. Foxx – Agriculture*)
 3. **H.R. 3454** - To provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of National Forest System land in the George Washington National Forest in Alleghany County, Virginia, that contains the cemetery of the Central Advent Christian Church and an adjoining tract of land located between the cemetery and road boundaries (*Rep. Boucher – Agriculture*)
 4. **H.R. 1374** - To amend the Florida National Forest Land Management Act of 2003 to authorize the conveyance of an additional tract of National Forest System land under that Act, and for other purposes (*Rep. Boyd – Agriculture*)
 5. **H.Res. 856** - Expresses heartfelt sympathy for the victims and families of the shootings in Omaha, Nebraska, on Wednesday, December 5, 2007 (*Rep. Terry – Government Reform*)

6. **H.Res. 851** - Honoring local and state first responders, and the citizens of the Pacific Northwest in facing the severe winter storm of December 2 and 3, 2007 (*Rep. Wu- Government Reform*)
7. **H.Con.Res. 254** - Recognizing and celebrating the centennial of Oklahoma statehood (*Rep. Fallin – Government Reform*)
8. **H.R. 3911** - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 95 Church Street in Jessup, Pennsylvania, as the "Lance Corporal Dennis James Veater Post Office." (*Rep. Carney – Government Reform*)
9. **S. 2174** - A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 175 South Monroe Street in Tiffin, Ohio, as the "Paul E. Gillmor Post Office Building." (*Sen. Voinovich – Government Reform*)
10. **H.Res. 816** - Congratulating the Colorado Rockies on winning the National League Championship and playing in the 2007 World Series (*Udall, (CO) – Government Reform*)
11. **H.R. 4342** - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 824 Manatee Avenue West in Bradenton, Florida, as the "Dan Miller Post Office Building." (*Rep. Buchanan – Government Reform*)
12. **H.R. 4210** - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 Washington Avenue in Weldon, North Carolina, as the "Dock M. Brown Post Office Building." (*Rep. Butterfield – Government Reform*)
13. **H.R. 4220** - The Federal Food Donation Act of 2007 (*Rep. Jo Ann Emerson – Government Reform*)
14. **H.R.3179** - Local Preparedness Acquisition Act (*Rep. Towns – Government Reform*)
15. **H.Con.Res. 246** - Honoring the United States Marine Corps for serving and defending the United States on the anniversary of its founding on November 10, 1775 (*Rep. Shea-Porter – Armed Services*)
16. **H.Res. 542** - Expressing the unconditional support of the House of Representatives for the members of the National Guard (*Rep. Brown-Waite – Armed Services*)
17. **H.R. 3793** - Veterans Guaranteed Bonus Act of 2007 (*Rep. Altmire – Armed Services*)
18. **H.R. 3997** - the Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act of 2007 (HEART) – (*Rep. Rangel – Ways and Means*)

19. **H.R. 4286** - To award a congressional gold medal to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi in recognition of her courageous and unwavering commitment to peace, nonviolence, human rights, and democracy in Burma (*Rep. Crowley – Financial Services*)
 20. **S. 2484** - A bill to rename the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development as the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (*Sen. Hatch – Energy and Commerce*)
 21. **S.J.RES. 13** - A joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the International Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding (*Sen. Leahy – Foreign Affairs*)
 22. **H.RES. 843** - Mourning the passing of Congressman Henry J. Hyde and celebrating his leadership and service to the people of Illinois and the United States of America (*Rep. Roskam – House Administration*)
- **H. Res. 873-Rule Waiving a Requirement of Clause 6(A) of Rule XII With Respect to Consideration of Certain Resolutions Reported from the Committee on Rules (Rep. McGovern-Rules)**: The rule waives clause 6(a) of Rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. Applies the waiver to any resolution reported on the legislative day of December 17, 2007, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 2764, the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs Appropriations Act, 2008. Applies the waiver to any resolution reported on the legislative day of December 17, 2007, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 6) to reduce our Nation's dependency on foreign oil by investing in clean, renewable, and alternative energy resources, promoting new emerging energy technologies, developing greater efficiency, and creating a Strategic Energy Efficiency and Renewables Reserve to invest in alternative energy, and for other purposes. Debate on the rule will be managed by Rep. McGovern, and consideration will proceed as follows:
 - One hour of debate on the rule.
 - Possible vote on a Democratic motion to move the previous question. **Democrats are urged to vote yes on the previous question.**
 - Vote on adoption of the rule. **Democrats are urged to vote yes on adoption of the rule.**
 - **H.R. 2764 - Foreign Operations Appropriations/Consolidated Appropriations bill (Rep. Obey – Appropriations) (Subject to a Rule)**

Quote of the Day

"One cannot raise the bottom of society without benefiting everyone above" -Michael Harrington